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SUBJECT: NEPAL: DEMARCHE DELIVERED ON FINANCIAL ACTION TASK  
FORCE STATEMENT ON IRAN

REF: SECSTATE 149648

Finance and Foreign Ministries Informed

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¶1. On November 2 and November 5, Emboff urged Finance  
Secretary Vidyadhar Mallik and the Foreign Ministry's

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Americas section officer Leknath Bhattarai, respectively, to  
encourage the Government of Nepal to take concrete actions to  
follow up on the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) statement  
on Iran. Bhattarai promised to pass the information to the  
West Asia and UN and International Organizations sections in  
the MFA. Mallik said he would further review the  
information.

Central Bank Enthusiastic

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¶2. On November 14, Keshav Raj Acharya and Ram Hari Neupane,  
Director and Deputy Director of Nepal Rastra (Central) Bank's  
Regulation Department for Bank and Financial Institutions,  
enthusiastically expressed their support for the FATF  
statement. Acharya and Neupane also responded positively to  
the designations of Iranian entities and individuals as well  
as three Saudi nationals (septels).

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